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Burn and Auto Burn—Fire of unknown origin destroyed a barn and automobile last night in the rear of Ernest Larsen's residence, 474 Seward. The barn was worth \$700 and the machine \$150.

Mrs. Bertschy is Improving—Mrs. A. J. P. Bertschy, who has been confined at Clarkson hospital, following an operation, is reported as improving and will soon be able to leave the hospital.

Losses Carried and Grip—George A. Hampton of the St. James hotel paid a man \$1 to carry his grip from the Union station to the hotel. The fellow never arrived and the grip and contents valued at \$5 are still at large.

Weld for Illinois Officers—Leonard Downer, wanted by the Chicago police on a warrant charging him with swindling a fellow-citizen to the amount of \$100, was arrested yesterday by the Omaha police and is being held here for the Illinois authorities.

Rewards for Detectives—Detective Dan Lahey and Officers C. M. Plotts and O. P. Peterson received rewards of \$5 each tendered them by the Omaha Auto club, for accomplishing the arrest and conviction of individuals breaking glass in the street.

Fight Over Point of Etiquette—Nathan Shearles, negro police character, was slightly wounded last night when "Dusty" Adams, another negro, stabbed him with a pocket knife. The two men had been arguing a point of etiquette concerning the use of "percentage" dice.

Police Car in Wreck—A police emergency car, driven by Chauffeur Harry Bufford, and a touring car, driven by Glenn Wharton, 604 South 24th, were wrecked early last night at Twenty-fourth and Harney streets when they collided. The mishap, according to both drivers, was unavoidable.

Woman Robbed of Fifty Dollars—Mrs. Clara Chambers, colored, cook at the Young Women's Christian association canteen, told the police last night that a colored man who had been following her for several blocks attacked her near her home, 2617 Park avenue, and took her purse which contained \$50.

Bus Street Railway—Alleging that the motorman started the street car before he had alighted, Thomas F. Gallagher has brought suit against the street railway company for \$15,000 damages for personal injuries. The accident occurred at Fifty-first streets, on the West Leavenworth car line.

Enjoins Tax Collection—Hugh Murphy has secured a temporary restraining order, and seeks a permanent injunction against Douglas county and County Treasurer W. G. Ure, preventing them from collecting personal taxes from him, assessment for which he alleges to have been illegally increased by the county assessor.

Dunn and Maloney Return—Chief of Police Henry Dunn and Captain of Detectives Maloney returned to Omaha Friday evening from Lincoln. Both were confident that the suit brought against them by Mrs. Sadie Walker will result favorably for them. They will return to Lincoln Monday, and Chief Dunn will take the witness stand.

Verdict for Mrs. Kanefl—District Judge Troup yesterday instructed the jury to return a verdict for the plaintiff, in the suit of Mrs. Mary F. Kanefl against the Mutual Benefit Accident and Health association of Omaha. She sued for accidental death indemnity under a policy carried by her husband, the late Oliver J. Kanefl, saloon proprietor at Twenty-eighth and Farnam streets.

Drug Company Re-elects Directors—The annual meeting of the Richardson Realty company was held at the office of the Richardson Drug company, with all of the Omaha stockholders present. Directors were re-elected, and at their meeting elected C. F. Weller vice president and chairman of the board; H. B. Weller, president; F. C. Patton, treasurer, and E. F. Ellis, secretary. This company handles the realty interests of the Richardson Drug company.

"Million Dollar Dolls" Start Well At the Gayety
The biggest Saturday night audience of the season attended the first performance of this week's show at the Gayety last night and gave it an enthusiastic reception. The company has many clever entertainers and the "Million Dollar Dolls" are a lively bunch. Two skilful comedians instead of one are featured, so the crowd has a superabundance of good laughs, as well as plenty of singing, dancing, brilliantly costumed choruses and pleasing women principals.

Lester Allen, a recent convert from vaudeville, makes a decided hit as an eccentric and novel hobo character part. He is an accomplished singer and dancer as well as being a regular scream with the funny work, and his method of creating laughs is all the more effective, because it is apparently so impromptu and spontaneous. Lew Hilton, an old favorite, is funnier than ever and scores many evidences of popularity in his original role of "Shimky." He and Allen and Elsie Meadows offer a musical trio act that gets a big "hand."

Miss Meadows also is pleasing in several solos; Frances St. Clair wins generous applause with her powerful, well trained voice and Adele Ranney is a popular soubrette. Bob Ferns has a commendable blackface "gut" act in the olio, and Grant Gibson and Miss Ranney also add to the merit of that part of the program. Savo, a juggler, presents something different in that line and plays an English "duke" part cleverly in the first act.

Bronchitis. When a severe cold settles on the lungs it is called bronchitis. There is danger of its leading to broncho pneumonia, and for this reason it is always best to go to bed and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as directed until well along towards recovery. Mrs. Charles E. Woodard, Sandy Creek, N. Y., writes: "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy cured me of bronchitis last fall. When I began using it I was so hoarse at times that it was difficult for me to speak above a whisper. I resorted to the use of this valuable medicine and found it very soothing and healing. In a week's time I was well." Obtainable everywhere.—Advertisement.

UNI PLAYERS PUT OVER GOOD COMEDY

"Believe Me, Xantippe!" Goes Across Well at the Brandeis Under Their Handling.

SMALL AUDIENCE WELL PLEASED

Believe me, if Xantippe herself could have come to life and have been at the Brandeis theater Saturday evening viewing "Believe Me, Xantippe," her scolding tongue must have been stilled and smiles must surely have blossomed upon the sour face that made life for Friend Socrates just one darn thing after another, long, long ago.

You've got to hand it to Nebraska for producing a son who can write a play like that. But Broadway has already presented Mr. Frederick Ballard of Havelock, Neb., with its high compliments and applause.

The University Players, save all the marks of professionals, and the delightful farce-comedy went through with the smoothness of a Shubert production.

The temperance-tampered helpmate of the patient philosopher whose name adorns the title would have found her reluctant interest gripped from the beginning of the first act and held between love and interest, exciting gun-plays and witty dialogue all the way through.

Maurice Clark in the leading role, that of George McFarland, who makes a bet that he can elude the officers of the law for a year, was splendid. He puts into the part just what the playwright intended should be there, a cool humor of the brave, calm man who is continually doing heroic and noble deeds and yet looking on life without seriousness, never in a hurry, always the gentleman. Clark was a good deal of a Jack Barrymore.

Sheriff's Daughter Shines. Ella Williams as Dolly Kamman, the sheriff's daughter, was also a great hit. Of pleasing appearance and womanly, self-willed, brave and loving, what more could the hero or the audience ask?

DeWitt Foster looked and acted the part of a real "bad man." The scene in the second act, where he is captured by the hero after a hard fight on the cabin floor, was tense. In short, the whole cast of ten performed without a flaw and the audience, which wasn't as large as it might have been, expressed its pleasure in liberal applause and laughter at the many clever lines.

In the end, of course, the hero won not only the bet, but the fair Dolly for his bride. And as he was "one of the richest young men in New York" and a thorough gentleman besides, it is safe to assume that they lived happily ever after.

Noon-Day Club in Annual Reception

The Noonday club of Omaha will give its regular annual reception and musicale in honor of the women relatives and friends of its members at the Commercial club on Tuesday evening, January 25, at 8 o'clock. The Commercial club has turned over its entire quarters to the club for this affair.

The Noonday club is an organization of Omaha business and professional men of Swedish lineage and has a membership of about 120. Membership is limited to owners of businesses or men employed in an executive capacity. Paul N. Wiemer of Paxton & Gallagher is president; Swedish Vice Consul P. A. Edquist is vice president; Dr. A. Johnson is treasurer, and Arthur L. Palmer is secretary. The object is to promote good fellowship and a closer acquaintance among its members. Meetings are held twice each month at noon at the Commercial club.

Alfred Bloom of the Commercial club is chairman of the entertainment committee, and has provided a musical program, as follows: Piano, Corinne Paulson; soprano, Miss Hazel Silver; tenor, Howard Steberg; violin, William Heatherington, and the "Noonday" orchestra. A luncheon will be served.

The annual banquet of the club, which is a star affair, will be held the first week in March. Governor George A. Carlson of Colorado will be present as the chief speaker.

YOUNG DEMOCRATS FORM NEW STATE ORGANIZATION

The Young Men's Democratic Club of Nebraska is the name of a new organization. It has twenty-five members and its object is to interest the young democrats in politics.

Officers were elected as follows: President, Samuel Valentine; vice president, Herman Merton; secretary, Joseph O. Burger; treasurer, Bert Booth; sergeant-at-arms, F. S. Butcher. Meetings will be held weekly. The secretary's office is at 217 City National bank building.

SUES RAILWAY BECAUSE OF TRAUMATIC LUMBAGO

Martino Ladomata has traumatic lumbago. He blames the Missouri Pacific railway for it, so has sued the railway for the road, B. F. Bush, for \$3,000 damages. He alleges he was knocked down and run over by freight cars while working on the track.

What is Home Without an Heir!

This is a subject that has a place in all minds in all times. And it naturally directs thought as to the comfort of the mother during that wonderful period of expectancy. Mothers who know recommend "Mother's Friend" for it is an external remedy for the stretching muscles, enables them to expand without undue strain, assists the organs to crowd against cervix, to pull at ligaments to thus avoid pain.

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Answers to Doubters

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(d) Professor Roscoe Pound of the Harvard Law School, a well-known authority on jurisprudence and an eminent botanist, writes us as follows, after seeing and examining the "Handy Volume" issue:

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